INVITATION FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES

For

Colorado Department of Transportation Region HQ

Project: NPS Off System Bridge Inspections-Statewide Public Notice for Professional Consultants

DESCRIPTION: The services to be provided by the Consultant will consist of all work necessary to accomplish the assigned tasks in any of the following categories of effort: The goal of this project is to update the National Bridge Inventory (NBI) through inspection of bridges owned by local governments (cities and/or counties) and to inform the bridge owners and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) of the conditions of the bridges. These bridges will be referred to as "Off-system" bridges hereafter in this Scope of Work (Scope). The local agencies and will be referred to as the "owner" hereinafter in this Scope.

The National Bridge Inventory Standards (NBIS) requires all public bridges to be inspected at least every two years (with the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the agreement of the owner, some of the bridges that meet specific Federal criteria may be inspected every four years).

The purpose of this agreement is to conduct bridge inspections on Off-system bridges in accordance with the requirements of the National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS) and to report the findings to the State and to the owner. The bridge inspections shall be referred to as "the work" henceforth in this Scope.

Colorado has approximately 4,850 Off-system bridges. The list of bridges to be inspected during each of the agreement periods will be identified prior to the renewal of the agreement for each of the periods. The bridge inspection engineer may also direct the consultant to inspect other bridges as necessary.

SPECIAL PROJECT REQUIREMENT: All work is to be performed under the direction and supervision, appropriate to the task, of a Colorado-Licensed Professional Engineer.

Interested Consultants:

- The prime firm of each team must be on CDOT's list of prequalified consultants by **February 26**, **2009.** Prequalification must be done annually. **The prime firm must be prequalified in the following disciplines: BI-Bridge Inspection; SE-Structural Engineering.** Consultants who are not prequalified or who have questions regarding their prequalification should immediately contact Mike Dapcevich, Agreements Office at telephone (303) 757-9618.
- Submit nine (9) **copies** of the Statement of Interest/Work Plan no later than **12:00 noon local time March 12, 2009**, to:

Jill Beaty Contracting Officer Colorado Department of Transportation 4201 E. Arkansas Ave., 4th Floor - West Denver, CO 80222

The scope of work along with the latest "Consultant Instructions for the Statement of Interest/Work Plan" and the anticipated consultant selection schedule must be obtained from the address shown above or from the CDOT website (http://www.dot.state.co.us/Consultants/). Previous editions of the instructions should not be used.

STATEMENTS OF INTEREST/WORK PLANS RECEIVED AFTER THE TIME AND DATE SPECIFIED WILL BE REJECTED. THE STATEMENT OF INTEREST/WORK PLAN MUST COMPLY WITH CDOT'S STANDARDIZED FORMAT REQUIREMENTS. PLEASE REFER TO THE INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE REQUIRED FORMAT AS PROVIDED IN THE STATEMENT OF INTEREST/WORK PLAN INSTRUCTIONS MAY RESULT IN YOUR SUBMITTAL BEING REJECTED.

Questions of a technical nature regarding this project may be directed to:

Name: Jeff Anderson or Karen Mondragon Organization: CDOT Project Manager, Staff Bridge Telephone: (303) 757-9188, (303)757-9470

CDOT will be holding interviews for this consultant selection. From those firms submitting a Statement of Interest/Work Plan (SOI/WP), CDOT will short-list no less than three firms for interviews, using the following criteria for final selection: Workload Factor; Project Team; Firm Capability; Past Performance on Similar Projects/Similar Teams; Work Location; Capacity; UDBE Participation; ESB Participation; Project Goals, Project Control, Project Concept, and Project Critical Issues, and those firms that make the Short-List will be scheduled for the Presentation/Interview process. (approximately 2-3 weeks from short-list notification)

NOTE: Firms submitting a Statement of Interest/Work Plan (SOI/WP) must, in their submitted SOI/WP, expressly commit, and identify by name, key employees of their own staff, as well as of the staffs of the subconsultants on their teams, to be available to do the Work.

UDBE GOAL:

The Department has determined the contract goal for UDBE participation in this contract will be met with certified DBEs who have been determined to be underutilized on professional services contracts. At this time, **all DBEs** will be considered to be UDBEs. The UDBE goal for this project is:

3.00 Percent.

The type of compensation on this contract is anticipated to be a Specific Rate of Pay format, subject to further review by CDOT.

CDOT assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by any respondent to this solicitation. The right is also reserved by CDOT to reject any and all submittals.